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Re: Application of Kenshin YAMADA, Yasuhiro MIYAO  
METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ROUTING PACKETS OVER PARALLEL LINKS  
BETWEEN NEIGHBOR NODES  
Assignee: NEC CORPORATION  
Our Ref. Q65631

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 38 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 16 sheets of formal drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	46	-	20	=	26	x	\$18.00	=	\$468.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$710.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>									<b>\$1178.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment									\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b>\$1218.00</b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1178.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from August 9, 2000 based on Japanese Application No. 2000-240544. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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